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TOMORROW'S FORECAST

* The House will reconvene for its 39th Legislative Day on Monday, March 25, at 10:00 AM.

* 12 bills are available to be debated on the floor.



GEORGIA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DAILY REPORT

Friday, March 22, 2013

38th Legislative Day

TODAY ON THE FLOOR

MOTIONS TO INSIST

HB 106 - General appropriations; State Fiscal Year July 1, 2013 - June 30, 2014

- BILL SUMMARY: The Fiscal Year 2014 budget totals \$19.8 billion in state funds.

- **Authored By:** Rep. David Ralston of the 7th

- **House Committee:** Appropriations

- **A motion to insist creates a Conference Committee with the Senate**

- **Conference Committee Members:**

Rep. Terry England, House Appropriations Chairman

Rep. Larry O'Neal, House Majority Leader

Rep. Jan Jones, House Speaker Pro-Tempore

HB 487 - Offenses against public health and morals; Georgia Lottery; correct a cross reference

- BILL SUMMARY: Section 1

50-27-70

This legislation would move existing definitions, licensure, and enforcement authority of coin operated amusement machines from the Department of Revenue to the Lottery Corporation.

50-27-71

This section allows the lottery corporation the ability to revoke or suspend a license of a location owner who violates the new restrictions set forth by this bill.

50-27-84

This section requires location owners and operators of Class B machines to submit to the lottery corporation monthly verified reports of cash flow.

50-27-87

The section prohibits location owners to obtain an operator's license to provide for checks and balances in the system and capture income and sales tax obligations. Increased enforcement penalties for violations of this subsection include license revocation and significant civil fines.

50-27-87

This section outlines unfair and deceptive trade practices. This includes the prohibition of an operator or location owner from offering or accepting procurement fees, gifts, etc. in exchange for locating a coin operated amusement machine in an establishment. Increased enforcement penalties for violations of this subsection include license revocation and significant civil fines.

50-27-89

This section creates an advisory board to oversee the Class B machine accounting terminal for the lottery corporation to implement.

50-27-101

This section requires the lottery corporation to procure a Class B accounting terminal that will link all Class B machines to a network for the purposes of auditing, reporting, and following cash flow through the system.

50-27-102

This section outlines that the state will not have any capital expenditures other than the accounting system, the operator has the financial and operating responsibilities to operate and maintain the machines, and the location owner is responsible for the store, staffing of the store, and completing the redemption process.

Section 2

This section provides the state with the ability to seize any Class B machines that are illegally paying out cash. It also removes the prohibition on lottery tickets as a valid form of redemption.

- **Authored By:** Rep. Matt Ramsey of the 72nd
- **House Committee:** Regulated Industries
- ***A motion to insist sends this bill back to the Senate for consideration.***

RULES CALENDAR

HR 552 - State Department of Education; implementation of comprehensive school counseling programs for Georgia students; request

- **BILL SUMMARY:** House Resolution 552 is requesting the implementation of comprehensive school counseling programs for Georgia students.
- **Authored By:** Rep. Joyce Chandler of the 105th
- **House Committee:** Education
- **Rule:** Modified-Open
- **Yeas:** 159; **Nays:** 1

SB 1 - Child's Health Insurance Information and Records; provide that both parents have equal access

- **BILL SUMMARY:** SB 1 prohibits health insurance policies from denying a parent the right to inspect, review, or attain copies of health insurance records relating to his or her own child. The health insurance records must be equally available to both parents unless a court order specifically removes the right of a noncustodial parent to such information or unless parental rights have been terminated.
- **Authored By:** Sen. William Ligon, Jr. of the 3rd
- **House Committee:** Judiciary
- **Rule:** Modified-Structured
- **Yeas:** 164; **Nays:** 0

SB 70 - Transportation, Dept. of; change type of projects eligible for design-build contracts and procurement process

- **BILL SUMMARY:** SB 70 amends Code relating to design-build contracts to include "systems" to the term design-build and "technology deployments" to the projects eligible for design-build procedure. The legislation adds utility relocation to the services that may be combined if it is found to be in the best interest of the public. In regards to procedures for administering design-build contracts, language requiring the scope of service requirements is removed and the criteria for selection and award is amended to provide for a two-step procurement process. There is an exception to the requirement for statement of qualifications from which the department chooses qualified firms in the event that it is found to be in the state's best interest, this requirement may be omitted and the department may move directly to a one-step procurement process through the issuance of a request for proposal from which the department may select the lowest qualified bidder. In the second step of the procurement process is amended to include a technical proposal along with the price proposal from the bidders. The department must select the lowest qualified bidder or in the event the department uses the best value procurement process, the request for proposal shall specify the requirements necessary for the selection of the best value proposer which shall include, at a minimum, a weighted cost component and a technical component.
- **Authored By:** Sen. Steve Gooch of the 51st
- **House Committee:** Transportation
- **Rule:** Modified-Structured
- **Yeas:** 157; **Nays:** 2

SB 82 - Education; change designations from North Georgia College to the University of North Georgia

- **BILL SUMMARY:** SB 82 changes the designation of North Georgia College to the University of North Georgia, and designates the University of North Georgia as the senior military college of Georgia.
- **Authored By:** Sen. Steve Gooch of the 51st
- **House Committee:** Higher Education
- **Rule:** Modified-Open
- **Yeas:** 168; **Nays:** 1

SB 86 - Family Violence Order; provide greater protection of victims of family violence

- BILL SUMMARY: The bill expands the definition of a family violence order and distinguishes between a civil family violence and criminal family violence order.

SB 86 allows law enforcement to arrest a perpetrator upon probable cause to believe that the offender has violated a criminal family violence order as long as the officer has never had a prior or current familial relationship with the parties involved.

- **Authored By:** Sen. Jesse Stone of the 23rd
- **House Committee:** Judiciary Non-Civil
- **Rule:** Modified-Structured
- **Yeas:** 152; **Nays:** 10

SB 96 - State Courts, Solicitors-General of; part-time solicitor-general; engage in private practice of law; not represent defendants in criminal matters in such solicitor-general's state court

- BILL SUMMARY: SB 96 allows part-time solicitors-general and assistant solicitors-general to engage in private practice as long as the part-time solicitor does not represent defendants in criminal matters in such solicitor's state court or appear in any matter in which he or she has exercised jurisdiction.

- **Authored By:** Sen. Jeff Mullis of the 53rd
- **House Committee:** Judiciary Non-Civil
- **Rule:** Modified-Open
- **Yeas:** 164; **Nays:** 0

SB 100 - Career and Technical Education Advisory Commission; reestablish; membership

- BILL SUMMARY: Senate Bill 100 would reestablish the Career and Technical Education Advisory Commission. This bill would set up information regarding membership, vacancies, terms, meetings and duties.

- **Authored By:** Sen. John Wilkinson of the 50th
- **House Committee:** Education
- **Rule:** Modified-Open
- **Yeas:** 156; **Nays:** 4

SB 101 - Firearms; regulate the sale, use and possession in this state

- BILL SUMMARY: The committee substitute replaces SB 101 with the language from HB 512 with changes including allowing places of worship to opt in to allowing congregation members to carry guns in church, restoring bar carry to current law, striking 'courthouses' from inclusion in government buildings, and clarification of private universities and their rights to decide on campus carry themselves. Additionally, the legislation included a prohibition of persons or entities to create or maintain a multijurisdictional data base of information regarding persons issued carry licenses. The judge of the probate court or his or her designee is authorized to verify the legitimacy and validity of a weapons carry license to a license holder, pursuant to a subpoena or court order, or for public safety purposes, but said judge or designee is not authorized to provide any further information regarding license holders.

- **Authored By:** Sen. Frank Ginn of the 47th
- **House Committee:** Public Safety & Homeland Security
- **Rule:** Modified-Structured
- **Amendments(s):** AM 29 2175
- **Yeas:** 116; **Nays:** 55

SB 105 - "Uniform Fraudulent Transfers Act"; provide for a definition

- BILL SUMMARY: SB 105 creates an exception to the 'Uniform Fraudulent Transfers Act' for non-profit organizations unless such organization was aware or participated in the fraudulent transfer.

- **Authored By:** Sen. Hardie Davis of the 22nd
- **House Committee:** Judiciary
- **Rule:** Modified-Structured
- **Yeas:** 157; **Nays:** 1

SB 113 - Civil Practice; personal service of a summons on a corporation; provisions

- BILL SUMMARY: SB 113 removes a 'cashier,' 'secretary,' and 'other agent' from service of process to a corporation. In addition, the bill defines 'managing agent.'

- **Authored By:** Sen. Emanuel Jones of the 10th
- **House Committee:** Judiciary
- **Rule:** Modified-Structured
- **Amendments(s):** AM 29 2173
- **Yeas:** 162; **Nays:** 0

SB 115 - Education; performance data of students in certain placements included in resident school system data

- BILL SUMMARY: Senate Bill 115 provides that performance data of students in certain placements are treated as a single local education agency.
- **Authored By:** Sen. Lindsey Tippins of the 37th
- **House Committee:** Education
- **Rule:** Modified-Open
- **Yeas:** 161; **Nays:** 2

SB 121 - License Plates; retired members of the General Assembly

- BILL SUMMARY: SB 121 authorizes the creation of a specialty license plate for former members of the General Assembly that served at least eight years. It also provides for the creation of specialty license plates supporting the Appalachian Trail Conservancy and the Atlanta Braves. Ten dollars from the sale of each plate will go to the Appalachian Trail Conservancy and the Atlanta Braves Foundation respectively.
- **Authored By:** Sen. Ronald B. Ramsey, Sr. of the 43rd
- **House Committee:** Motor Vehicles
- **Rule:** Modified-Structured
- **Amendments(s):** AM 35 0333
- **Yeas:** 160; **Nays:** 2

SB 122 - Drivers' Licenses; authorize the issuance of a temporary driving permit; noncitizen applicant whose license has expired; filed extension

- BILL SUMMARY: HB 122 authorizes the issuance of a temporary driving permit to a noncitizen applicant whose Georgia driver's license has expired, or will expire, who has filed a request for a visa extension.
- **Authored By:** Sen. Hunter Hill of the 6th
- **House Committee:** Motor Vehicles
- **Rule:** Modified-Structured
- **Yeas:** 169; **Nays:** 2

SB 134 - Controlled Substances; revise the definition of "prescriber"

- BILL SUMMARY: SB 134 revises the definition of 'prescriber' as it relates to controlled substances to include physicians licensed or regulated under the laws of any state or territory of the United States.
- **Authored By:** Sen. Earl "Buddy" Carter of the 1st
- **House Committee:** Judiciary Non-Civil
- **Rule:** Modified-Structured
- **Amendments(s):** AM 41 0006
- **Yeas:** 155; **Nays:** 1

SB 139 - Contracts; collection of closing fees; advance of money/extension of credit

- BILL SUMMARY: Senate bill 139 provides an additional code section relating to the collection of closing fees for the advance of money or the extension of credit. This bill states that any lender or seller may collect a one-time closing fee at the time of making a loan or extending credit in order to defray the cost of investigation and verification of a borrower's or purchaser's credit report for references. The closing fee may amount up to 4% of the face value of the loan or credit extension or total amount of the sales contract but shall not be more than \$50.00, and may be paid from the proceeds of the amount borrowed or added to the principal amount of the loan or credit extension. Lenders or sellers may retain no more than \$25 from the collected closing fee on loans or contracts that have been prepaid in full within 90 days, refunding the rest to the borrower. The closing fee shall not constitute interest or be considered an additional charge.

The Code section relating to licensing requirements was also addressed in this legislation. Federal and state government departments, agencies, authorities, and instrumentalities and their authorized agents are granted the ability to sell or issue checks.

- **Authored By:** Sen. Butch Miller of the 49th
- **House Committee:** Banks & Banking
- **Rule:** Modified-Structured
- **Yeas:** 164; **Nays:** 7

SB 158 - Temporary Medical Consent Guardianship; Physician Order for Life-sustaining Treatment; change certain signatures

- BILL SUMMARY: SB 158 corrects a drafting error in Code section 29-4-18 to clarify that a Physician Order for Life-sustaining Treatment (a specific form to be developed by the Department of Public Health) is voluntarily executed by a patient or his or her authorized representative, and a physician.
- **Authored By:** Sen. Nan Orrock of the 36th
- **House Committee:** Judiciary
- **Rule:** Modified-Open
- **Yeas:** 162; **Nays:** 0

SB 185 - Banking; secured transactions; change/provide for definitions; electronic chattel paper; provisions

- BILL SUMMARY: SB 185 provides necessary updates to Article 9, Secured Transactions, of the Uniform Commercial Code.
- **Authored By:** Sen. Jesse Stone of the 23rd
- **House Committee:** Judiciary
- **Rule:** Modified-Structured
- **Yeas:** 160; **Nays:** 0

SB 194 - Natural Resources Dept.; include an exemption for restoration of certain barns; promote Georgia tourist destinations

- BILL SUMMARY: SB 194 relates to powers and duties of DNR relative to historic preservation and promotion and adds a new paragraph to O.C.G.A. 12-3-50 that states that nothing in this code section prohibits someone from restoring or utilizing an agricultural structure, including barns, erected before 1965 that previously promoted Georgia tourist destinations to the traveling public for the purpose of advertising or promoting Georgia products or tourist destinations. DNR shall approve applications for such structures so long as no public funds from Georgia are used in connection with the restoration of utilization.
- **Authored By:** Sen. Jeff Mullis of the 53rd
- **House Committee:** Natural Resources & Environment
- **Rule:** Modified-Open
- **Yeas:** 164; **Nays:** 0

SB 204 - Appeal and Error; limit the scope of judgments/orders; child custody cases; direct appeal

- BILL SUMMARY: SB 204 clarifies that appeals that result from a child custody modification are directly appealable to the Supreme Court and the Court of Appeals.
- **Authored By:** Sen. Bill Cowser of the 46th
- **House Committee:** Judiciary Non-Civil
- **Rule:** Modified-Structured
- **Yeas:** 169; **Nays:** 0

SB 226 - Coroners; investigation fees; change certain provisions

- BILL SUMMARY: SB 226 codifies that the death investigation fee charged by coroners be paid on top of their base salary and not included in the salary. It allows coroners to choose annually whether they wish to take a salary or be paid on a fee basis.
- **Authored By:** Sen. Steve Gooch of the 51st
- **House Committee:** Governmental Affairs
- **Rule:** Modified-Structured
- **Yeas:** 162; **Nays:** 1

SB 231 - Georgia Driver's Education Commission; additional sums collected on fines; extend the sunset provisions

- BILL SUMMARY: SB 231 amends the act known as "Joshua's Law". It decreases the additional 5% fee charged on state fines to 1.5% and it extends the sunset date to June 30, 2016. Finally, it requires an annual report to be submitted to the General Assembly detailing the collection and expenditure of collected funds.
- **Authored By:** Sen. Barry Loudermilk of the 14th
- **House Committee:** Motor Vehicles
- **Rule:** Modified-Structured
- **Yeas:** 154; **Nays:** 6

SB 234 - Insurance; limited licenses to sell travel insurance; comprehensive revision of provision; issuance and regulation

- BILL SUMMARY: SB 234 provides for a limited license for travel agents and agencies to sell travel insurance.
- **Authored By:** Sen. Burt Jones of the 25th
- **House Committee:** Insurance
- **Rule:** Modified-Open
- **Yeas:** 156; **Nays:** 0

POSTPONED LEGISLATION

SB 65 - Mental Health; authorize licensed professional counselor to perform certain acts; secure certification

- BILL SUMMARY: Senate Bill 65 allows licensed professional counselors to admit a person for involuntary emergency evaluation of mental illness under Code Section 37-3-41. This bill also allows licensed professional counselors to admit a person for involuntary treatment for alcohol or drug abuse under Code Section 37-7-41. This legislation provides for automatic repeal in two years.
- **Authored By:** Sen. Renee S Unterman of the 45th
- **House Committee:** Health & Human Services
- **House Committee Passed:** 3/13/2013
- **Rule:** Modified-Open

SB 155 - Georgia Higher Education Assistance Corporation; change membership to accommodate Fourteenth Congressional District

- BILL SUMMARY: SB 155 changes the membership of the Georgia Higher Education Assistance Corporation by adding a 14th member to the board of directors to reflect the addition of the 14th Georgia Congressional District.

The bill also allows GSFC to incorporate one or more nonprofit corporations to aid in the authority in carrying out any of its powers, duties, and functions.

- **Authored By:** Sen. Steve Gooch of the 51st
- **House Committee:** Higher Education
- **House Committee Passed:** 3/14/2013
- **Rule:** Modified-Open

SB 137 - Income Tax; authorize the commissioner of economic development to designate areas as opportunity zones

- BILL SUMMARY: SB 137 requires that for applications for Opportunity Zone tax credits, beginning July 1, 2013 both the Commissioners of Economic Development and Community Affairs must approve the application.
- **Authored By:** Sen. Rick Jeffares of the 17th
- **House Committee:** Ways & Means
- **House Committee Passed:** 3/21/2013
- **Rule:** Structured

SB 224 - Invest Georgia Fund; create

- BILL SUMMARY: This legislation establishes the Invest Georgia Fund within Georgia Tech's Advanced Technology Development Center (ATDC) to provide access to seed capital for Georgia-based, high-tech and innovation companies. Invest Georgia will be overseen by a five-member appointed board. Through a competitive bid process the board will select a third-party fund administrator, which will then competitively select venture capital funds to manage investment activities focused on both Georgia early or seed stage and growth stage companies. The venture capital funds must have or establish a physical presence in Georgia in order to ensure that the investments are Georgia-focused. No direct funding mechanism is established in the legislation.
- **Authored By:** Sen. Tim Golden of the 8th
- **House Committee:** Ways & Means
- **House Committee Passed:** 3/21/2013
- **Rule:** Structured

LOCAL CALENDAR

HB 609 - Demorest, City of; corporate limits of city shall include certain property; provide

- BILL SUMMARY: A Bill to change the corporate limits of the City of Demorest.
- **Authored By:** Rep. Terry Rogers of the 10th
- **House Committee:** Intragovernmental Coordination - Local
- **Rule:** Open
- **Yeas:** 161; **Nays:** 0

HB 613 - DeKalb County; levy an excise tax

- BILL SUMMARY: A Bill to authorize DeKalb County to levy a hotel/motel tax.
- **Authored By:** Rep. Michelle Henson of the 86th
- **House Committee:** Intragovernmental Coordination - Local
- **Rule:** Open
- **Yeas:** 161; **Nays:** 0

HB 614 - Brookhaven, City of; provide a definition for the governing authority; provisions

- BILL SUMMARY: A Bill to provide for the creation of community improvement districts in the City of Brookhaven.
- **Authored By:** Rep. Mike Jacobs of the 80th
- **House Committee:** Intragovernmental Coordination - Local
- **Rule:** Open
- **Yeas:** 161; **Nays:** 0

HB 616 - Lyons, City of; provide new charter

- BILL SUMMARY: A Bill to provide a new charter for the City of Lyons.
- **Authored By:** Rep. Greg Morris of the 156th
- **House Committee:** Intragovernmental Coordination - Local
- **Rule:** Open
- **Yeas:** 161; **Nays:** 0

HB 619 - Chamblee, City of; change corporate limits of city

- BILL SUMMARY: A Bill to change the corporate limits of the City of Chamblee and to provide for a referendum.
- **Authored By:** Rep. Mary Margaret Oliver of the 82nd
- **House Committee:** Intragovernmental Coordination - Local
- **Rule:** Open
- **Yeas:** 161; **Nays:** 0

HB 620 - Peachtree Corners, City of; Redevelopment Powers Law; provide for referendum

- BILL SUMMARY: A Bill to authorize the City of Peachtree Corners to exercise all redevelopment powers as permitted under the State Constitution and the Redevelopment Powers Law pending a local referendum to approve the authorization.
- **Authored By:** Rep. Tom Rice of the 95th
- **House Committee:** Intragovernmental Coordination - Local
- **Rule:** Open
- **Yeas:** 161; **Nays:** 0

HB 622 - Quitman County; Board of Education; change certain provisions regarding the compensation of the chairperson and board members

- BILL SUMMARY: A Bill to provide compensation for the members of the Quitman County Board of Education.
- **Authored By:** Rep. Gerald Greene of the 151st
- **House Committee:** Intragovernmental Coordination - Local
- **Rule:** Open
- **Yeas:** 161; **Nays:** 0

HB 623 - City of Commerce Public Facilities Authority Act; enact

- BILL SUMMARY: A Bill to create the City of Commerce Public Facilities Authority and to provide for its powers and duties.
- **Authored By:** Rep. Tommy Benton of the 31st
- **House Committee:** Intragovernmental Coordination - Local
- **Rule:** Open
- **Yeas:** 161; **Nays:** 0

HB 624 - Dawson-Terrell County Airport Authority; change membership

- BILL SUMMARY: A Bill to change the membership of the Dawson-Terrell County Airport Authority.
- **Authored By:** Rep. Gerald Greene of the 151st
- **House Committee:** Intragovernmental Coordination - Local
- **Rule:** Open
- **Yeas:** 161; **Nays:** 0

HB 625 - Rincon, City of; provide that corporate limits shall include certain property

- BILL SUMMARY: A Bill to change the corporate limits of the City of Rincon.
- **Authored By:** Rep. Bill Hitchens of the 161st
- **House Committee:** Intragovernmental Coordination - Local
- **Rule:** Open
- **Yeas:** 161; **Nays:** 0

HB 626 - Greene County Airport Authority; split position of secretary-treasurer into two separate positions

- BILL SUMMARY: A Bill to amend the Act creating the Greene County Airport Authority so as to split the position of secretary-treasurer into two separate positions.
- **Authored By:** Rep. Mickey Channell of the 120th
- **House Committee:** Intragovernmental Coordination - Local
- **Rule:** Open
- **Yeas:** 161; **Nays:** 0

HB 627 - Fulton County; change a certain provision relating to the dissolution of the district

- BILL SUMMARY: A Bill to amend the Act creating one or more community improvement districts in unincorporated Fulton County so as to change a certain provisions relating to the dissolution of the district.
- **Authored By:** Rep. Jan Jones of the 47th
- **House Committee:** Intragovernmental Coordination - Local
- **Rule:** Open
- **Yeas:** 161; **Nays:** 0

HB 628 - Walker, Dade and Catoosa Counties; board of hospital authority; revise method of filling vacancies

- BILL SUMMARY: A Bill to amend the Act creating the Walker, Dade, and Catoosa Hospital Authority so as to change the method of filling vacancies on the hospital board.
- **Authored By:** Rep. Jay Neal of the 2nd
- **House Committee:** Intragovernmental Coordination - Local
- **Rule:** Open
- **Yeas:** 161; **Nays:** 0

HB 629 - Kennesaw, City of; provide new charter

- BILL SUMMARY: A Bill to provide a new charter for the City of Kennesaw.
- **Authored By:** Rep. Charles Gregory of the 34th
- **House Committee:** Intragovernmental Coordination - Local
- **Rule:** Open
- **Yeas:** 161; **Nays:** 0

HB 630 - Polk County; board of elections and registration; provide for districts

- BILL SUMMARY: A Bill to amend the Act creating the Polk County Board of Elections and Registration so as to provide for districts for the board members.
- **Authored By:** Rep. Trey Kelley of the 16th
- **House Committee:** Intragovernmental Coordination - Local
- **Rule:** Open
- **Yeas:** 161; **Nays:** 0

HB 631 - Polk County Water Authority; change certain provisions relating to appointment, taking of office, and terms of office of members

- BILL SUMMARY: A Bill to amend the Act creating the Polk County Water Authority so as to change provisions relating to the appointment, the taking of office, and the terms of office of members of the authority.
- **Authored By:** Rep. Trey Kelley of the 16th
- **House Committee:** Intragovernmental Coordination - Local
- **Rule:** Open
- **Yeas:** 161; **Nays:** 0

HB 632 - Dougherty County; Albany, City of; Joint County-Municipal Board of Registration and Elections; provide for appointment of members

- BILL SUMMARY: A Bill to amend the Act creating the Joint County-Municipal Board of Registration and Elections for Dougherty County and the City of Albany so as to provide for the appointment of board members.
- **Authored By:** Rep. Winfred Dukes of the 154th
- **House Committee:** Intragovernmental Coordination - Local
- **Rule:** Open
- **Yeas:** 161; **Nays:** 0

HB 634 - Powder Springs, City of; provide for city council terms and qualifications for office

- BILL SUMMARY: A Bill to provide a new charter for the City of Powder Springs.
- **Authored By:** Rep. David Wilkerson of the 38th
- **House Committee:** Intragovernmental Coordination - Local
- **Rule:** Open
- **Yeas:** 161; **Nays:** 0

HB 635 - Dodge County-Eastman Development Authority; change membership and terms of office

- BILL SUMMARY: A Bill to provide for membership on the Dodge County-Eastman Development Authority and to transfer the powers, duties, assets, property, liabilities, and indebtedness of the Heart of Georgia Regional Airport Authority to the Dodge County-Eastman Development Authority.
- **Authored By:** Rep. Jimmy Pruett of the 149th
- **House Committee:** Intragovernmental Coordination - Local
- **Rule:** Open
- **Yeas:** 161; **Nays:** 0

HB 636 - Heart of Georgia Regional Airport Authority; abolish authority

- BILL SUMMARY: A Bill to abolish the Heart of Georgia Regional Airport Authority and to transfer its powers, duties, assets, property, liabilities, and indebtedness to the Dodge County-Eastman Development Authority.
- **Authored By:** Rep. Jimmy Pruett of the 149th
- **House Committee:** Intragovernmental Coordination - Local
- **Rule:** Open
- **Yeas:** 161; **Nays:** 0

HB 638 - Cobb Judicial Circuit; supplement paid to judges of superior court and additional supplement to chief judge; provide

- BILL SUMMARY: A Bill to provide compensation for the judges of the Cobb Judicial Circuit.
- **Authored By:** Rep. Earl Ehrhart of the 36th
- **House Committee:** Intragovernmental Coordination - Local
- **Rule:** Open
- **Yeas:** 161; **Nays:** 0

HB 639 - Stone Mountain Judicial Circuit; increase amount of supplement for judges of superior court

- BILL SUMMARY: A Bill to provide compensation for the judges of the Stone Mountain Judicial Circuit.
- **Authored By:** Rep. Billy Mitchell of the 88th
- **House Committee:** Intragovernmental Coordination - Local
- **Rule:** Open
- **Yeas:** 161; **Nays:** 0

HB 641 - Cobb County; office of tax commissioner; change compensation of certain employees

- BILL SUMMARY: A Bill to provide compensation for the tax commissioner, the chief clerk in the tax commissioner's office, the executive secretary to the tax commissioner, and the administrative specialist in the office of the tax commissioner in Cobb County.

- **Authored By:** Rep. Don Parsons of the 44th

- **House Committee:** Intragovernmental Coordination - Local

- **Rule:** Open

- **Yeas:** 161; **Nays:** 0

HB 642 - Brookhaven, City of; clarify provisions regarding terms of office of mayor

- BILL SUMMARY: A Bill to amend the charter of the City of Brookhaven so as to clarify provisions regarding the terms of office of the mayor, to provide for a finance director, to provide for the duties of such finance director, and to provide for a charter commission.

- **Authored By:** Rep. Mike Jacobs of the 80th

- **House Committee:** Intragovernmental Coordination - Local

- **Rule:** Open

- **Yeas:** 161; **Nays:** 0

** The House will reconvene Monday, March 25, at 10:00 AM, for its 39th Legislative Day.*

COMMITTEE ON RULES

The Committee on Rules has fixed the calendar for the 39th Legislative Day, Monday, March 25, and bills may be called at the pleasure of the Speaker.

NEXT ON THE FLOOR

HR 146 - Congress; enact the FairTax and express the State of Georgia's commitment to ratify the repeal of the 16th Amendment; request

- BILL SUMMARY: HR 146 is an urging resolution, asking the US Congress to adopt the Fair Tax.

- **Authored By:** Rep. Tom Kirby of the 114th

- **House Committee:** Ways & Means

- **House Committee Passed:** 3/21/2013

- **Rule:** Modified-Open

SB 65 - Mental Health; authorize licensed professional counselor to perform certain acts; secure certification

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- **Authored By:** Sen. Renee S Unterman of the 45th

- **House Committee:** Health & Human Services

- **House Committee Passed:** 3/13/2013

- **Rule:** Modified-Open

SB 83 - Counties; support of paupers; provide for cremation as an alternative for deceased indigents

- BILL SUMMARY: SB 83 allows for cremation as an alternative to burial in the case of a paupers funeral.

- **Authored By:** Sen. Steve Gooch of the 51st

- **House Committee:** Governmental Affairs

- **House Committee Passed:** 3/12/2013

- **Rule:** Modified-Structured

SB 86 - Family Violence Order; provide greater protection of victims of family violence

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SB 86 allows law enforcement to arrest a perpetrator upon probable cause to believe that the offender has violated a criminal family violence order as long as the officer has never had a prior or current familial relationship with the parties involved.

- **Authored By:** Sen. Jesse Stone of the 23rd
- **House Committee:** Judiciary Non-Civil
- **House Committee Passed:** 3/21/2013
- **Rule:** Modified-Structured

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- **House Committee:** Ways & Means
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- **Authored By:** Sen. Steve Gooch of the 51st
- **House Committee:** Higher Education
- **House Committee Passed:** 3/14/2013
- **Rule:** Modified-Open

SB 156 - Surface Mining; revise a definition

- BILL SUMMARY: SB 156 relates to definitions relative to surface mining and states that the term "borrow pit" does not include excavated areas of fewer than five acres which are incidental to forestry land management and from which no earthen material is removed for sale.

- **Authored By:** Sen. Ross Tolleson of the 20th
- **House Committee:** Natural Resources & Environment
- **House Committee Passed:** 3/14/2013
- **Rule:** Modified-Structured

SB 160 - Public Employers; provide annual report relative to compliance with certain laws; provide for certain report to Dept. of Audits and Accounts

- BILL SUMMARY: SB 160 mirrors language in Rep. Dusty Hightower's HB 125.

SB 160 makes some necessary updates to our Code dealing with immigration. First, it redefines the 'physical performance of services' and allows for an exception from e-verify reporting for contracts smaller than \$2,499.99. SB 160 streamlines the business license process for renewals by only requiring the business submit its federal work authorization user number.

It adds to the definition of 'public benefit.' It streamlines the citizenship verification process for government benefits by only requiring that verification be provided upon initial application for a government benefit or service.

Finally, SB 160 creates a new Code section to establish guidelines for the annual immigration compliance report which each agency and political subdivision is required to send to the Department of Audits and Accounts.

- **Authored By:** Sen. Frank Ginn of the 47th
- **House Committee:** Judiciary Non-Civil
- **House Committee Passed:** 3/21/2013
- **Rule:** Modified-Structured

SB 168 - Public Contracts; contracting and bidding requirements

- BILL SUMMARY: SB 168 prevents bids from being disqualified based upon lack of previous experience with similar size jobs provided that the bid proposal is no greater than 30% in scope or cost from the builder's previous experience in jobs.
- **Authored By:** Sen. Lindsey Tippins of the 37th
- **House Committee:** Judiciary
- **House Committee Passed:** 3/14/2013
- **Rule:** Modified-Structured

SB 216 - Pharmacies; provide that medical director of an emergency service provider may contract with more than one pharmacy

- BILL SUMMARY: Senate Bill 216 allows the medical director of an emergency service provider to contract with more than one pharmacy as a provider of drugs and consultant services. The bill also changes the code that requires pharmacists to be physically present in a hospital pharmacy for those hospitals within the state that remotely serves only on weekends, do not have more than four other hospitals under the same ownership or management, and have an average daily census of less than 12 acute patients.
- **Authored By:** Sen. Earl "Buddy" Carter of the 1st
- **House Committee:** Health & Human Services
- **House Committee Passed:** 3/20/2013
- **Rule:** Modified-Open

SB 224 - Invest Georgia Fund; create

- BILL SUMMARY: This legislation establishes the Invest Georgia Fund within Georgia Tech's Advanced Technology Development Center (ATDC) to provide access to seed capital for Georgia-based, high-tech and innovation companies. Invest Georgia will be overseen by a five-member appointed board. Through a competitive bid process the board will select a third-party fund administrator, which will then competitively select venture capital funds to manage investment activities focused on both Georgia early or seed stage and growth stage companies. The venture capital funds must have or establish a physical presence in Georgia in order to ensure that the investments are Georgia-focused. No direct funding mechanism is established in the legislation.
- **Authored By:** Sen. Tim Golden of the 8th
- **House Committee:** Ways & Means
- **House Committee Passed:** 3/21/2013
- **Rule:** Structured

SB 225 - Criminal Procedure; relieve a surety from liability under certain circumstances

- BILL SUMMARY: SB 225 creates an exception for forfeiture of an appearance bond if the principal was receiving involuntary inpatient treatment. In addition, when a defendant fails to appear, it allows a bondsman to prove the location of a defendant to the district attorney, then the DA may decide whether or not to go after the defendant.
- **Authored By:** Sen. Jesse Stone of the 23rd
- **House Committee:** Judiciary Non-Civil
- **House Committee Passed:** 3/21/2013
- **Rule:** Modified-Structured

**** The Rules Committee will next meet on Monday, March 25, at 9:00 AM, to set the Rules Calendar for the 40th Legislative Day.***

COMMITTEE ACTION REPORT

Agriculture & Consumer Affairs

SB 91 - "Emerging Crops Fund Act"; repeal

- BILL SUMMARY: The substitute bill amends Title 2 of the OCGA Annotated relating to agriculture, and is revising Chapter 8A, relating to the "Emerging Crops Fund Act."

- **Authored By:** Sen. Tyler Harper of the 7th

- **Committee Action:** Do Pass by Committee Substitute

Agriculture & Consumer Affairs

SB 213 - "Flint River Drought Protection Act"; clarify legislative intent; revise definitions; expand programs

- BILL SUMMARY:

Section 1

The "Flint River Drought Protection Act," is amended by revising subsection (b) of Code Section 12-5-541 regarding legislative intent is as follows:

The use of water resources for the state for agricultural purposes is of vital importance to the state and southwest Georgia in particular. The protection of flows in the Flint River and its tributaries is necessary for healthy riverine ecosystems and health aquatic life. The use of water resources during drought conditions may interfere with public and private rights. The economic well-being of the State of Georgia is dependent on a strong and efficient agricultural industry, the wise use of water, the protection of stream flows, and the economic well-being of the state will be furthered by proper water allocation in periods of drought. Programs to augment stream flows or provide incentives to ensure a certain irrigated lands are temporarily not irrigated during severe droughts will promote the wise use of water resources, the protection of stream flows and the economic well-being of the state.

Section 2

Code Section 12-5-542 is amended and provides definitions relative to Flint River drought protection:

- (1) 'Acceptable Flint River basin stream flows' means the quantity of stream flows at one or more specific locations on the Flint River or its tributaries which provides for aquatic life protection and other needs as established by the director, based on municipal, agricultural, industrial and environmental needs. Such tributaries shall not include field drainage systems, wet weather ditches, or any other water body;
 - (A) In which the channel is located above ground-water table year round;
 - (B) For which runoff from precipitation is the primary source of water flow; and
 - (C) For which ground water is not a source of waterflow.
- (2) 'Affected area' means that portion of the state lying within the Flint River basin and area where ground water use from the Floridian aquifer can affect stream flows in the Flint River or its tributaries.
 - (2.1) 'Irrigation efficiency' means the percentage of the total amount of water withdrawn from a source which is beneficially used to meet crop water requirements or for other agronomic practices in accordance with applicable best management practices.
- (3) 'Authority' means the Georgia Environmental Finance Authority (created by Chapter 23 of Title 50).
- (4) 'Board' means the Board of the Department of Natural Resources.
- (5) 'Director' means the director of the Environmental Protection Division of the Department of Natural Resources.
- (6) 'Division' means the Environmental Protection Division of the Department of Natural Resources.
- (7) 'Drought conditions' means any conditions which results in a stream flow that is lower than the acceptable Flint River basin stream flows.
- (8) 'Drought protection funds' means the funds held by GEFA as provided in Code Section 12-5-545 for the accomplishment of the purposes of this article.
- (9) 'Flint River basin' means the area of land which drains into the Flint River or its tributaries.
- (10) 'Floridian aquifer' means those rocks and sediments described in United States Geological Survey Open-File Report 95-321 (1996) that are capable of yielding ground water to wells or discharging water into the Flint River or its tributaries.
- (11) 'Irrigated land' means farm land which is irrigated by the ground water or surface water pursuant to a water withdrawal permit issued by the Director of EPD pursuant to Code Section 12-5-31 or 12-5-96.
- (12) 'Irrigation reduction auction' means the procedure established by subsection (b) of Code Section 12-5-546 pursuant to which permittees submit offers to cease irrigation of a specified number of acres in exchange for certain sum of money.
- (13) 'Permittee' means a person holding a valid permit issued before December 1, 2000, pursuant to Code Section 12-5-31 or 12-5-96.
- (14) 'Stream flow' means the quantity of water passing a given location of the Flint River or its tributaries over a given time

period expressed in cubic feet per second.

Section 3

Code Section 12-5-544, relating to powers of the director of the EPD, by revising paragraph (2) and adding a new paragraph to read as follows:

(2) Establish acceptable Flint River basin stream flows and one or more locations.

(9.1.) Conduct and participate in studies related to management of the water resources in the Flint River basin.

Section 4

Code Section 12-5-546 relating to drought predictions and irrigation reduction auction, by revising subsection (a), (b), and € as follows:

(a) On or before March 1 of each year, EPD may issue a prediction as to whether severe drought conditions are expected during the year. If EPD predicts a severe drought during any particular year, it shall issue such prediction before March 1 of that year.

(b) If severe drought conditions are predicted or otherwise declared in accordance with subsection (a) of this Code Section, the EPD may determine the total number of acres irrigated land, serviced by irrigation systems located within one or more of the affected areas, that must not be irrigated that year in order to maintain the acceptable Flint River basin stream flows. Upon such determination, the division may conduct an irrigation reduction auction whereby a permittee of an irrigation system located within the affected areas is given an opportunity to enter into an agreement with the EPD, agreeing that in exchange for a certain sum of money per acre of irrigated land serviced by the irrigation system, the permittee will not irrigate those particular acres for the remainder of the calendar year. GEFA shall pay the sum so agreed upon when so directed by the director of EPD from the unexpended balance of the drought protection funds. In conducting the irrigation reduction auction, the division may establish a maximum dollar amount per acre to be expended from the drought protection funds for such purposes.

€ The expenditure of funds under this article as an incentive to permittees not to irrigate lands is deemed by the legislature as a valid use of state moneys to promote valid land use policies that result in the protection of the riverine environment by ensuring that such lands not be irrigated for a specified period of time. No expenditure of funds under this article shall be considered full or partial compensation for any losses, financial or otherwise, experienced due to nonirrigation; a lease or repurchase of any irrigation permit issued by the director of EPD or an acknowledgement by the State of Georgia of a property right in any permit issued by the director of EPD.

Section 5

Code Section 12-5-546.1 provides that on or before January 1, 2014 the EPD shall, as appropriate and in cooperation with other state and federal agencies, universities, the Georgia Water Planning and Policy Center, the Lower Flint-Ochlockonee Water Council, and other appropriate entities, undertake certain studies in the results of which may be used to establish new and revised rules and regulations pertaining to the management of the water resources in the Flint River basin consistent with this article. Such studies shall include but not be limited to:

(1) Hydrologic studies, (2) Studies to develop flow targets or thresholds for the Flint River and selected tributaries, and (3) Studies to enhance baseline information related to irrigated acreage, agricultural water use, and potential for adoption of technology to improve irrigation efficiency

Code Section 12-5-546.2

(a) The Department of Agriculture and the State Soil and Water Conservation Commission shall in accordance with EPD in examining current practices, programs, policies, rules, and regulations to identify opportunities to enhance programming and incentives that will:

(1) Support implementation of the agricultural water efficiency measures in water conservation or management plans prepared in accordance with Code Section 12-5-31, 12-5-96 and 12-5-522;

(2) Support implementation of pilot projects demonstrating the efficacy of emerging innovative irrigation technologies where appropriated and affordable;

(3) Identify ways the State Soil and Water Conservation Commission's program for measuring agricultural uses of water as authorized under Code Section 12-5-105 can further enhance efforts to improve agricultural water use efficiency; and

4) encourage a scheduled program for the voluntary retirement of unused surface-water and ground-water farm use permits in accordance with Code Section 12-5-31 and 12-5-105.

(b) The director may modify all active surface-water and ground-water withdrawal permits for farm use in the affected area to require all irrigation systems applying water withdrawn pursuant to such permits to achieve application efficiencies of 80 percent or greater by the year 2020. The schedule for achieving the application efficiencies provided in this subsection shall be as follows:

(1) Irrigation systems applying water withdrawn pursuant to all active permits issued after 2005 shall achieve a minimum application efficiency of 80 percent by January 1, 2016.

(2) Irrigation systems applying water withdrawn pursuant to all active permits issued from 1991 through 2005

shall achieve a minimum application efficiency of 80 percent by January 1, 2018.

(3)) Irrigation systems applying water withdrawn pursuant to all active permits issued before 1991 shall achieve a minimum application efficiency of 80 percent by January 1, 2020.

© Notwithstanding subsection (b) of this Code Section, the director may modify specified active surface-water and ground-water withdrawal permits for farm use in the affected area to require all mobile irrigation systems and solid-set irrigation sprinklers operating under such permits to achieve application efficiencies of 60 percent or greater by the year 2020. The schedule for achieving such efficiencies shall be as follows:

(1) Irrigation systems applying water withdrawn pursuant to all active permits issued after 2005 shall achieve a minimum application efficiency of 60 percent by January 1, 2016.

(2) Irrigation systems applying water withdrawn pursuant to all active permits issued from 1991 through 2005 shall achieve a minimum application efficiency of 60 percent by January 1, 2018.

(3)) Irrigation systems applying water withdrawn pursuant to all active permits issued before 1991 shall achieve a minimum application efficiency of 60 percent by January 1, 2020.

(d) Notwithstanding the irrigation efficiency rates required in subsection © of this Code Section or any other provision of this Code Section to the contrary, the minimum irrigation efficiency rate for mobile irrigation systems and solid-set irrigation sprinklers applying water withdrawn pursuant to new permits shall be 60 percent.

€ When considering any permit application for a new surface-water or ground-water withdrawal for farm use in the affected area, the division shall require that the irrigation system applying water withdrawn pursuant to any such permit has an irrigation efficiency of at least 80 percent.

(f) The EPD division shall, in cooperation with other state and federal agencies, universities, the Georgia Water Planning and Policy Center, the Lower Flint-Ochlockonee Regional Water Council, and other appropriate entities, provide to the board of DNR for consideration for adoption in its rules requirements pertaining to methods requirements pertaining to methods an applicant may utilize to demonstrate that the required irrigation efficiency has been achieved. Requirements shall consider current technologies, best management practices, and the effects of soil type and topography, among other factors deemed necessary.

(g) The EPD shall coordinate with any federal or state agencies offering incentive programs that support the purposes of this article to identify opportunities to refine and target relevant programs as practicable to assist permittees with achieving application efficiency requirements.

Code Section 12-5-546.3

(a) As used in this Code section 'permittee' means any person holding a valid permit issued pursuant to Code Section 12-5-31.

(b) The state of any department, agency, or institution of the state may fund or invest in projects to augment stream flows in a portion or portion of the Flint River basin. All permittees with active surface-water withdrawal permits in the affected area downstream of a project specifically authorized to augment stream flows which the state has funded shall in accordance with the DNR board's rules and upon notification from the EPD director, let the flow provided in the augmentation project pass their point of withdrawal.

© Such notification shall, at minimum, inform the permittees that the upstream project is delivering augmented flows and the water provided by their project is not available for withdrawal.

(d) The EPD director's notification shall contain notice of opportunity for a hearing and shall be served by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the most recent address provided by the permittee. Any permittee to whom such notification is directed shall comply therewith immediately, but shall be afforded a hearing within five business days of the EPD director's receipt of a petition filed by such permittee. Based upon findings adduced at such hearing, the notification shall be modified, reversed or continued by the EPD director as he or she deems appropriate.

€ In preparing such notification, the EPD director may consider:

- (1) The best available modeling and monitoring data for relevant locations and stream reaches;
- (2) The appropriate duration of protection of augmented flows;
- (3) The distance downstream for which protection of augmented flows;
- (4) The degree to which protection of augmented flows will assist in mitigating the effects of droughts and ensure sustainable, long-term access to water resources for existing and future water users; and
- (5) Any other data or information the director deems relevant.

Section 6

Code Section 12-5-549 is revised relating to compliance as follows:

(a) Except as may otherwise be provided in this article. Whenever the EPD director has reason to believe that a violation of any provision of this article or any rule or regulation adopted pursuant to this article has occurred, he or she shall attempt to obtain compliance therewith by conference, conciliation, or persuasion, if the making of such an attempt is appropriate under the circumstances. If he or she fails to obtain compliance in this manner, the director may order the violator to take whatever corrective action the director deems necessary in order to obtain such compliance within a period of time to be prescribed in such order.

(b) Except as may otherwise be provided in this article, any order issued by the EPD director under this article shall become final unless the person or persons named therein file with the director a written request for a hearing within 30 days after such order or permit is served on such person or persons.

© Except as may otherwise be provided in the article, hearings on contested matters and judicial review of final orders and other enforcement actions under this article shall be provided and conducted in accordance with subsection (c) of Code Section 12-2-2.

(d) The EPD director may file in the superior court of the county wherein the person under order resides, or if the person is a corporation, in the county wherein the corporation maintains its principal place of business, or in the county wherein the violation occurred or in which the jurisdiction is appropriate, a certified copy of a final order of the director unappealed from or a final order of the director affirmed upon appeal, whereupon the court shall render judgment in accordance therewith and notify parties. Such judgment shall have the same effect, and all proceedings in relation thereto shall thereafter be the same, as though the judgment had been rendered in an action duly heard and determined by such court.

€ For purposes of this Code Section, a violation of an agreement entered into in accordance with Code Section 12-5-546 or an order issued by the director of EPD in accordance with Code Section 12-5-547 shall be prima facie established upon showing that:

- (1) During the effective period of the agreement or order, the irrigation system was observed in person or via remote sensing or otherwise established by representatives of the division or others to have been operating and distributing water; or
- (2) During the effective period of the agreement or order, a seal, lock, or other device placed by the division on the system to prevent operation of the system has been broken or otherwise tampered with.

Section 7

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

- **Authored By:** Sen. Ross Tolleson of the 20th
- **Committee Action:** Do Pass by Committee Substitute

Energy, Utilities & Telecommunications

SB 242 - Downtown Development Authorities; undertake projects; reducing energy or water consumption; renewable resources

- BILL SUMMARY: Senate bill 242 allows downtown development authorities to undertake projects reducing energy or water consumption, or make an improvement to property that produces energy from renewable resources within the territorial boundaries of a municipal corporation.
- **Authored By:** Sen. Hunter Hill of the 6th
- **Committee Action:** Do Pass

Governmental Affairs

SR 245 - U.S. Congress; request to adopt a resolution proposing a balance budget amendment

- BILL SUMMARY: SR 245 is a resolution urging Congress to adopt a resolution proposing a balanced budget amendment to the U.S. Constitution.
- **Authored By:** Sen. Judson Hill of the 32nd
- **Committee Action:** Do Pass by Committee Substitute

Governmental Affairs

SR 348 - Georgia Program Integrity Joint Study Committee; create

- BILL SUMMARY: SR 348 authorizes the creation of the "Georgia Program Integrity Joint Study Committee". Its' purpose is to study ways in which state government may fight fraud in the modern age.
- **Authored By:** Sen. Judson Hill of the 32nd
- **Committee Action:** Do Pass by Committee Substitute

Intragovernmental Coordination - Local

HB 633 - Powder Springs, City of; change description of wards

- BILL SUMMARY: A Bill to reapportion the wards of the city council of the City of Powder Springs.
- **Authored By:** Rep. David Wilkerson of the 38th
- **Committee Action:** Do Pass

Intragovernmental Coordination - Local

HB 640 - Glennville, City of; change description of wards

- BILL SUMMARY: A Bill to reapportion the wards of the city council of the City of Glennville.
- **Authored By:** Rep. Delvis Dutton of the 157th
- **Committee Action:** Do Pass

Intragovernmental Coordination - Local

HB 653 - Sumter County State Court; change compensation of judge

- BILL SUMMARY: A Bill to provide compensation for the judge of the State Court of Sumter County.
- **Authored By:** Rep. Mike Cheokas of the 138th
- **Committee Action:** Do Pass

Intragovernmental Coordination - Local

SB 238 - Nelson, City of; powers and duties of mayor; provisions; revise

- BILL SUMMARY: A Bill to amend the charter of the City of Nelson so as to revise certain provisions relating to the powers and duties of the mayor and to add powers of the city council regarding city employees.
- **Authored By:** Sen. Barry Loudermilk of the 14th
- **Committee Action:** Do Pass

Intragovernmental Coordination - Local

SB 249 - Holly Springs, City of; election of councilmembers from wards

- BILL SUMMARY: A Bill to provide for the election of councilmembers from wards and by a plurality vote in the City of Holly Springs.
- **Authored By:** Sen. Brandon Beach of the 21st
- **Committee Action:** Do Pass

** Bills passing committees are reported to the Clerk's Office, and are then placed on the General Calendar.*

COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE

Monday, March 25, 2013

TBD	Floor Session (LD38)	HOUSE CHAMBER (10:00am)
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9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	RULES	341 CAP
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM	JUVEVILE JUSTICE	406 CLOB
3:00 PM - 5:00 PM	HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	606 CLOB
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM	415 CLOB

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